



## Manufacturing Business Incentive (MBI)

As we continually promote the growing economy in the region, the City of El Paso's Foreign Trade Zone has established the Manufacturing Business Incentive. The MBI helps manufacturing companies expand their markets or compete on a global scale through the use of El Paso's Foreign-Trade Zone. The objective is easy: to help business grow by reducing the start up cost and speeding up the approval process for a manufacturing business to set up in FTZ No. 68.

### Fee Waivers:

- Grantee application fee is waived.
- Grantee activation fee is waived.
- Grantee annual fee is waived for first year.

### Start-up Incentives:

- Receive start up support through FTZ Board application and activation process.
- FTZ Operations Training for up to four (4) key employees at no cost.

### Selection criteria:

1. The business must conduct manufacturing as defined by U.S. Customs regulations
2. The business must apply for production authority through the U.S. Foreign Trade Zones Board and be responsible for paying consultant and FTZ Board Fees necessary to obtain manufacturing approval in a Foreign Trade Zone
3. Submit application to the FTZ Manager for review & approval. If the business is selected, it will sign a Manufacturing Operator agreement with the City of El Paso.

*Want to get started? Questions about MBI? 915-771-6016 or [melonasdt@elpasotexas.gov](mailto:melonasdt@elpasotexas.gov)*



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